

HOUSE RESOLUTION 301
By Givens

A RESOLUTION to congratulate John Riley Robbins for
outstanding work as an intern.

WHEREAS, through the course of each legislative session, there have emerged certain individuals who far exceed the basic requirements set forth for them to follow; and

WHEREAS, John Riley Robbins has distinguished himself as one such individual through his work as a legislative intern for the House Agriculture Committee and the committee's officers, Chairman Ken Givens, Vice-Chairman John Mark Windle and Secretary Paul Phelan, his efforts resulting in untold benefits for the members he served and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a highly regarded graduate student at Austin Peay State University, John has excelled academically; he graduated Summa Cum Laude with his associates degree in communications from Volunteer State Community College in 1993 and graduated Magna Cum Laude with his bachelor of science degree in communication arts from Austin Peay State University in 1995; and

WHEREAS, while at Volunteer State, John founded and served as president and vice-president of Volunteer State Communications; he was also a member of Alpha Sigma Iota Fraternity and was inducted into the Gamma Phi Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, upon graduation from Austin Peay, John joined the ranks of the elite students of our nation by being inducted into Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society; and

WHEREAS, during the 1996 legislative session, John Robbins has exceeded all standards with regard to the qualities that are expected of a dedicated and competent legislative

intern; John has adhered to the common sense approach and has displayed the common touch in all endeavors, working well with old and young alike; and

WHEREAS, eager to learn more about the intricacies and idiosyncrasies of Tennessee state government and to aid in his communications studies, Mr. Robbins brought his many skills to the State Capitol for the 1996 session of the Ninety-Ninth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, John evinces his strong faith in the Lord through his membership at South Main Street Baptist Church, where he teaches Sunday school and fills in for the preacher in his absence; and

WHEREAS, his honors and accolades aside, John is proud to share his life with his wife of 32 years, Brenda Jean Robbins; Brenda and John are the proud parents of three daughters, Sandra Kay Robbins, Payton Cheryl Robbins, and Jessica Paulette Jones; and

WHEREAS, John Robbins has been a great asset to the Ninety-Ninth General Assembly and it is appropriate that we honor him for his exemplary efforts; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend John Riley Robbins for his outstanding service as a legislative intern and wish him much success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.